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1. Vessels of the "Reydtanker" shipping line use liquid fuels exclusively. Coal is only used for such auxiliary purposes as providing heat on certain ships and in the galleys. Hard fuel is used for the steam power plant at the 10 Godovshchiny Oktyabr'skoy Revolyutsii Ship Repair Plant.
2. The following table shows mean consumption of fuel and lubricants by the transport and the service-auxiliary fleet in 1951.

Type of Fuel and Lubricant	Consumption of Fuel and Lubricants in Tons	
	monthly	for the season
All types of Diesel fuel	2050	19,000
Fuel mazut	1450	15,100
All types of lubricants	121	1,032

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3. The following table gives the same information for the "Kasptanker" shipping line for 1951.

Type of Fuel and Lubricant	Consumption of Fuel and Lubricants in Tons	
	monthly	for the season
All types of Diesel fuel	5592	55,920
Fuel mazut	9334	93,340
All types of lubricants	383	3,830

4. The order of the Minister of the Merchant Fleet on maintaining a constant supply of fuel concerned "Reydtanker", "Kasptanker" and other shipping lines working on liquid fuel. The order carried no mention of maintenance of a constant supply of hard fuel.

5. [redacted] a similar regulation was issued on organizations of other ministries as well. My reason for thinking this is the fact that the "Volgatanker" Shipping Line of the Ministry of the River Fleet in Astrakhan was also ordered to maintain a constant supply of liquid fuel and lubricants. The former Ministry of the Fish Industry sent a similar regulation to the Fleet Directorate of the Volga-Caspian State Fishing Trust in Astrakhan. 25X1

6. "Reydtanker" and "Kasptanker" were instructed to maintain constant supplies of liquid fuel and lubricants based on mean consumption per cruise for transport ships and on mean three-day consumption for the service-auxiliary fleet.

7. The following table gives a quantitative indication of the constant supply of liquid fuel and lubricants maintained by "Reydtanker" in 1951.

Type of Fuel or Lubricants	Mean Constant Supply in Tons
All Types of Diesel fuel	225-250
Fuel mazut	160-180
All types of lubricants	12-15

8. The constant supply of fuels and lubricants for "Kasptanker" for 1951 should have been:

Type of Fuel or Lubricant	Mean Constant Supply in Tons
All types of fuel	560-575
Fuel mazut	930-950
All types of lubricants	40-45

9. [redacted] the following comment on the order for maintenance of constant supply of fuel. Before this order came into effect, the various shipping lines and specifically "Reydtanker" and "Volgatanker" always maintained a constant supply of fuel and lubricants in far greater quantities than those indicated in the order. Each month, after determining fuel consumption for the shipping line, there remained important carry-overs of fuel and lubricants which often were in excess of the quantities needed for two and even three cruises. Actually, the order only confirmed a previously existing situation. 25X1

10. "Reydtanker" did not find it necessary to build additional storage capacity for the maintenance of this constant supply. The Shipping Line possesses three floating fuel bases, in Astrakhan, at the 14' Sea Roadstead and at the Gurev Roadstead. These fuel bases have the following capacities:

- (a) Fuel base No 129 in Astrakhan has a capacity of about 5,000 tons.
- (b) Fuel base No 45 at the 14' Sea Roadstead has tanks with a capacity of about 800 tons.
- (c) The fuel base on the landing (debarcadere) "Mary" at the Gurev roadstead has a capacity of about 500 tons.

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In addition to these stationary bases, "Reydtanker" has a special fuel transport ship, the steam tanker "Kalinin", with a capacity of 800 tons.

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